IV. In the scheme of faculties we have placed the imagination. This faculty in widening its images in time or space, never can image the INFINITE, it can represent merely the very long or very large. So far then as the imaging or picturing power of the mind is concerned, we never can go beyond the finite. But we would take a very imperfect view of human intelligence if we confined it within the limits ofto pictorial power. To whatever point we go out in imagination, we are sure tha^e are not at the limits of existence; nay, we believe that to whatever farther point,we might go, there would be something still farther on. Suppose we were carried to thje most distant point which the telescope discloses, we would confidently stretch out our arms, believing in a space beyond into which they might enter, and if our hand were stayed we would believe it to he by a body occupying space. "When a sounding line (to borrow an illustration from Locke's Essay on Hum. TTnd.) does not reach a bottom, we do not conclude that the ocean has no bottom, but in sounding the depths of space and time we are sure that we never could come to their limits. Whence this thought, conviction, belief? "We have here come, as it appears to us, to a native law or native belief of the mind. It is a necessary conviction: we cannot be made to think or believe otherwise. Nay it is in a sense universal. No doubt the positive image or conception formed by infants and savages must be very limited, but they believe that, far as it reaches, there is a something beyond. All this shews that there is here a constitutional principle of the mind which we ought not to overlook, and which Locke overlooked, solely because of his antipathy to innate ideas. Such seems to us to- be the true psychological nature of the mind's conviction in regard to the infinite. It is not on the one hand, the mere negation to which the British school of philosophers would reduce it. It is not as Sir W. Hamilton represents it, a mere impotence to conceive that existence, that time or space, should cease, but a positive affirmation that they do not cease. On the other hand, it is vastly less than the unconditioned, the absolute, evolved by the speculators of Germany. The mind seeks in vain to embrace the infinite in a positive image, but is constrained to believe, when its efforts fail, that there is a something to which no limits can be put. At the point at which it is obliged to stop, it takes a look, and that look is into infinity.

Y. There is a class of faculties discovering relations among the objects that have become known to it. They enable us to take a concrete whole to pieces, and thus furnish ABSTRACT NOTIONS. They enable us to discover resemblances and differences, , and thus give GENERAL NOTIONS. "When the objects are real on which the abstractions and generalizations are formed, and when the abstractions and generalizations are properly conducted, the abstractions and generalizations also imply realities— not separate realities, but real parts or attributes of a whole and real classes. These faculties are also so constituted that they discover the relation of CAUSE AND EFFECT. In our primitive knowledge, we know substances as possessing active property.

Every object being known as possessing active power or property, we are led to believe that this property will act on the needful conditions being supplied; and, again, on being made aware of a new substance being produced, or a substance changed, we are led to trace the production of it to a property either in the substance itself or in some other.

VI. "We see how the intuitions stand related to our faculties. They are not separate from oar faculties, but the very law of the faculties. Every faculty in its primitive exercise is intuitive, and every true original faculty furnishes cognitions which are intuitive. It is the business of metaphysical philosophy to spread out these roots of the faculties (which are unseen to the common eye) in much the same way as the roots of certain flowers are made visible in glasses. The first and main